

## FY 2023-24 Budget Amendment Form

### Budget Amendment

Increasing availability of HIV/STI testing and treatment

### Lead Sponsor

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### Cosponsors (optional)

CM Fuentes, CM Qadri, CM A. Alter, CM Vela

Ongoing	One-Time	Revenue	FTEs	Source of Funds
	1.5m			

### Additional Information

The City of Austin strives to be a welcoming and safe place for its LGBTQIA+ community members. This amendment is intended to address a growing community need for affordable and accessible STI testing and treatment for the city's most vulnerable communities disproportionately impacted by HIV and STIs. This funding should be dispersed to an organization that, at a minimum, provides all of the following services:

- Low cost or free walk-in testing, for new and existing patients
- Mobile testing conducted by applying organization
- Testing for HIV, chlamydia, gonorrhea, syphilis, and hepatitis C
- Low-cost or free same day STI treatment
- Telemedicine
- HIV medical care and HIV treatment initiation available within 72 hours of new diagnosis
- PrEP access, including rapid start PrEP through mobile STI testing

The organization must currently be operating all of these services at the time of application and cannot apply for this funding opportunity to design and implement a program that meets these requirements. Organizational Standing Delegation Orders must adhere to current clinical guidelines for STI and HIV testing and treatment established by the CDC and authorized by a Texas Licensed Physician. Funds must be utilized for the direct health care

provisions including operating expenses, clinical services, lab, medications and training. Organization must have previous experience in successful government health program grant management, including compliance with the Texas Department of State Health Services' (DSHS) HIV and STD Program Operating Procedures and Standards. The City Manager is directed to prioritize funding allocation for community organization-based HIV/STI testing and treatment in future budget proposals.